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PATENT

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APPLICANT: CLAUD SCHIERZ ET AL-1 (PCT)  
SERIAL NO: 09/600,847 EXAMINER: A. THOMAS  
FILED: July 24, 2000 GROUP: 1772  
TITLE: BEARING MAT FOR SUPPORTING AN EXHAUST GAS  
CATALYST

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(3)

ATTN: MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O.Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2003, for four months, from September 9, 2003 to January 9, 2004. Submitted herewith, under Rule 17(a)(3), is a check in the amount of \$1,450.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a Large Entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Enclosure: Check in the amount of \$1,450.00

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT, Commissioner of Patents, U.S. PTO, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 7, 2003.

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